

3 June 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS

THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group

SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Nicosia Bureau--May 1982

I. GENERAL

The Bureau's efforts to augment Arabic unit staffing suffered a setback when our first Cairo recruit backed out just short of departure for Cyprus because the MENA News Agency would not release her from her contract. Our second choice candidate from Cairo has accepted the position, however, and is in process.

Attention in Egypt was centered throughout the month on whether Cairo would return to the Arab fold. Several Arab states, notably Jordan, Iraq and Morocco, showed signs of favoring this to strengthen the position of Arab moderates. Egypt has reiterated its willingness to once again be considered part of the Arab fold, but not at the expense of its peace process with Israel. Cairo's attention now is largely focused on the Iran-Iraq war and the fear that Iran will emerge as a predominate force in and radical example for the Arab world.

In the continuing war in Lebanon, Israeli planes bombed Palestinian positions in the south early in the month, and heavy fighting was reported among the conflicting parties in both the north and south. As the month progressed, the conflict deteriorated into indiscriminate bombings by one group against another, with the most serious being at the French Embassy.

The Cyprus-Greece rift caused by the cooperation program signed between Cypriot President Kiprianou and the Cypriot Communist Party, AKEL, showed few signs of narrowing during the month. Greek President Papandreou's party called for an apology from Kiprianou for remarks made by the AKEL spokesman against Papandreou, but Kiprianou did not answer them directly. Also during the month, Turkey's Uluu made the first visit to Cyprus by a Turkish prime minister when he visited the Cypriot Turkish-controlled northern zone. The visit predictably prompted outcries from both Cyprus and Greece over the "political invasion" of the island. Adding further fuel to the tension in the Greek-Turkish-Cypriot triangle, Turkish planes at the end of the month intruded inside Greece's 6-mile air zone, causing Papandreou to announce the suspension of Greek participation in NATO maneuvers.

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II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. The Bureau's efforts to monitor Cairo Television are currently being stymied by interference from two local television transmitters. The Bureau is now looking at the possibilities of using a highly directional antenna or a filter, or monitoring Cairo from Cyprus' southern coast, where interference is not a problem, and then transporting the tapes to Nicosia the next day for processing. Despite these problems, on 8 May we were able to monitor live the arrival at Cairo Airport of Omani Sultan Qabus for talks with Egyptian President Mubarak.

2. During the month Nicosia and Gulf Bureaus carried out a major realignment of Persian coverage. On 9 May Gulf assumed full coverage of all Persian clandestine radios formerly monitored by Nicosia, with Nicosia now backstopping. Nicosia assumed coverage of the Moscow Persian casts Tuesday through Saturday with Gulf covering on Sundays and Mondays. As a result, our Persian monitor's workschedule has been changed to 0500 to 1330 GMT Tuesday through Friday and 0930 to 1800 GMT on Saturday and Sunday.

B. Lateral Service

At BBC's request, during May Nicosia made two phonepatches of Tehran Radio broadcasts, totaling 30 minutes.

III. TECHNICAL

A microwave link was established [redacted] STAT
[redacted] Audio from Athens radio has been sent via the link and STAT
received with good quality. As soon as CYTA has installed their new
telephone lines from [redacted], we will remove our remote equipment from the
[redacted] When this happens we will be able
from the bureau. STAT
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IV. ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel

1. Persian Monitor [redacted] and Associate Editor [redacted] STAT
[redacted] were awarded QSI's on 6 May. SIAI

2. On 20 May Director, FBIS awarded the Bureau's Communications Section with a Meritorious Unit Citation. Each employee was also given a bonus check. The award recognized outstanding performance over the past year, during which time the Bureau doubled its wordage output.

V. VISITS

Tel Aviv Bureau's new engineer [redacted], TDY'ed at Nicosia Bureau STAT
en route to Tel Aviv from 11 to 16 May to receive orientation briefings from
Regional Engineer [redacted] who went to Tel Aviv from 16 to 20 May STAT
on TDY to complete the orientation.

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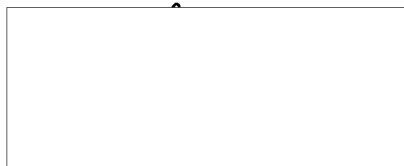
VI. OTHER

Greek Monitor [redacted] has participated in photographic exhibitions by the British Council and the Cypriot Photographic Society which won him critical acclaim in the local press and two honorable mentions in the society's competition. [redacted] is already well-known for his water color exhibitions and the murals which decorate the bureau's reception rooms.

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Nicosia Bureau Chief

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A. Production Report

NICOSIA BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR MAY 1982

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

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| TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH: | 511,200 |
| TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH: | 130,700 |
| (WIREFILED PROGRAM SUMMARIES | 66,400) |
| (FYI'S, ADHINS, SVC., CRUISING, ETC. | 64,300) |
| TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH: | 1,283 |

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II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:

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| (MINUTE OR ISSUES PER WEEK) | 10,980 | 21,630 | 197 |
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III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:

(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

CHINA

BEIJING IN

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| PERSIAN TO IRAN AND AFGHANISTAN | 0 |
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CLANDESTINE

(CLANDESTINE) FREE VOICE OF IRAN IN

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| PERSIAN TO IRAN | 3,400 |
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(CLANDESTINE) RADIO IRAN IN

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| PERSIAN TO IRAN | 1,400 |
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(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAN IN

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| PERSIAN | 4,000 |
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(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF PALESTINE IN

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| ARABIC | 30,200 |
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| CYPRUS | |
| NICOSIA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN | |
| ENGLISH | 0 |
| NICOSIA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN | |
| GREEK | 28,700 |
| NICOSIA DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN | |
| GREEK | 4,600 |
| NICOSIA DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN | |
| ENGLISH | 300 |
| NICOSIA ALITHIA IN | |
| GREEK | 500 |
| NICOSIA BOZKURT IN | |
| TURKISH | 0 |
| NICOSIA CYPRUS MAIL IN | |
| ENGLISH | 900 |
| NICOSIA DEMOKRATIK HALK GAZETESI IN | |
| TURKISH | 400 |
| NICOSIA DHIMOKRATIA IN | |
| GREEK | 0 |
| NICOSIA ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN | |
| GREEK | 1,500 |
| NICOSIA HALKIN SESI IN | |
| TURKISH | 0 |
| NICOSIA I DHIMOKRATIKI IN | |
| GREEK | 300 |
| NICOSIA I ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN | |
| GREEK | 2,800 |
| NICOSIA I SIMERINI IN | |
| GREEK | 700 |
| NICOSIA KHARAVYI IN | |
| GREEK | 16,500 |
| NICOSIA KIBRIS IN | |
| ENGLISH | 0 |
| NICOSIA NEWS OF THE NORTH IN | |
| ENGLISH | 500 |
| NICOSIA O AGON IN | |
| GREEK | 3,700 |
| NICOSIA O AGON TIS DHEUTERAS IN | |
| GREEK | 0 |
| NICOSIA O ANEXARTITOS IN | |
| GREEK | 0 |
| NICOSIA O FILELEUTHEROS IN | |
| GREEK | 0 |
| NICOSIA O KIRIKAS IN | |
| GREEK | 300 |
| NICOSIA PRESS AND INFORMATION OFFICE IN | |
| ENGLISH | 400 |

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| NICOSIA PRESS AND INFORMATION OFFICE IN | |
| GREEK | 0 |
| NICOSIA TA NEA IN | |
| GREEK | 0 |
| NICOSIA THE CYPRUS WEEKLY IN | |
| ENGLISH | 200 |
| NICOSIA TO VIMA IN | |
| GREEK | 0 |

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| EGYPT | |
| CAIRO DOMESTIC SERVICE IN | |
| ARABIC | 44,200 |
| CAIRO DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN | |
| ARABIC | 400 |
| CAIRO MENA IN | |
| ARABIC | 73,400 |
| CAIRO MENA IN | |
| ENGLISH | 17,000 |

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| FRANCE | |
| PARIS AFP IN | |
| ENGLISH | 82,800 |

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| GREECE | |
| ATHENS DOMESTIC SERVICE IN | |
| GREEK | 17,400 |
| ATHENS ARMED FORCES RADIO IN | |
| GREEK | 8,900 |
| ATHENS AKROPOLIS IN | |
| GREEK | 1,100 |
| ATHENS AURIANI IN | |
| GREEK | 400 |
| ATHENS ELEUTHEROS KOSMOS IN | |
| GREEK | 400 |
| ATHENS ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN | |
| GREEK | 4,500 |
| ATHENS EXORMISI IN | |
| GREEK | 1,700 |
| ATHENS I AUYI IN | |
| GREEK | 500 |
| ATHENS I KATHIMERINI IN | |
| GREEK | 4,500 |
| ATHENS KIRIAKATIKI ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN | |
| GREEK | 0 |
| ATHENS MESIMVRINI IN | |
| GREEK | 900 |

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| ATHENS NEA PORIA IN GREEK | 0 |
| ATHENS NEWS IN ENGLISH | 1,400 |
| ATHENS RIZOSPASTIS IN GREEK | 6,500 |
| ATHENS TA NEA IN GREEK | 3,900 |
| ATHENS TO VIMA IN GREEK | 3,000 |
| IRAQ BAGHDAD IN PERSIAN TO IRAN | 3,400 |
| LEBANON BEIRUT DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC | 51,100 |
| BEIRUT VOICE OF LEBANON IN ARABIC | 23,700 |
| HARJ 'UYUN LEBANON VOICE OF HOPE IN ARABIC | 8,200 |
| HARJ 'UYUN LEBANON VOICE OF HOPE IN ENGLISH | 2,000 |
| BEIRUT MONDAY MORNING IN ENGLISH | 20,600 |
| LIBYA TRIPOLI DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC | 0 |
| TURKEY ANKARA ARAYIS IN TURKISH | 0 |
| ANKARA YANKI IN TURKISH | 600 |
| ISTANBUL CUMHURİYET IN TURKISH | 4,000 |
| ISTANBUL DUNYA IN TURKISH | 0 |
| ISTANBUL GUNAYDIN IN TURKISH | 1,100 |
| ISTANBUL GUNES IN TURKISH | 300 |

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| ISTANBUL HURRIYET IN TURKISH | 3,900 |
| ISTANBUL MILLIYET IN TURKISH | 5,600 |
| ISTANBUL TERCUMAN IN TURKISH | 4,700 |

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| UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC MOSCOW IN | |
| GREEK TO CYPRUS | 1,200 |
| MOSCOW IN | |
| PERSIAN TO IRAN | 6,500 |